I. **Purpose:**

To set forth policy regarding exemptions to non-resident tuition.

II. **Definitions:**

No policy specific or unique definitions apply.

III. **Policy:**

A. The students affected by the following guidelines are classified as non-residents for admission and tuition purposes. In accordance with board policy, non-resident students are admitted on a space available basis with the understanding that priority for admission is given to qualified residents. Only the Board may determine groups that will receive exemptions of the non-resident differential.

B. The following categories of non-resident students will receive an exemption of the non-resident tuition differential:

1. East-West Center student grantees pursuing baccalaureate or advanced degrees;

2. United States military personnel stationed in Hawai‘i on active duty, and their authorized dependents during the period that the personnel are stationed in Hawai‘i;

3. Members of the Hawai‘i National Guard and the Hawai‘i Reserves;

4. Native Hawaiians whose domicile is outside of Hawai‘i;

5. Employees of the university, their spouses, and their dependents. The faculty or staff member must be employed on a half-time basis or more; those excluded from collective bargaining must have an appointment exceeding three (3) months.
6. Veterans eligible to use Post 9/11 GI Bill or Montgomery GI Bill Active Duty Program educational benefits per the Isakson and Roe Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020 (P.L.116-315).

7. Individuals eligible to use transferred Post 9/11 GI Bill educational benefits per the Isakson and Roe Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020 (P.L.116-315).

8. Individuals eligible to use educational benefits under the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship.

9. Individuals eligible to use educational assistance under the Survivors’ or Dependents’ Educational Assistance (Chapter 35) program.

10. Veterans with service-connected disabilities who are eligible for benefits provided for in Title 38, U.S. Code, Chapter 31, otherwise known as the Veteran Readiness and Employment or VR&E (formerly called Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment) program.

11. Graduate teaching and research assistants, as a function of their appointment to an assistantship.

12. Ph.D. students registering for only one credit hour of dissertation 800.

C. With the written approval of the chancellor/provost, campuses may, for those non-resident students whose special talents and/or unique skills will make a significant contribution to campus life, exempt the non-resident portion of tuition. If instituted, the total number of exemptions granted in any given year should be established in accordance with the campus’s strategic enrollment management goals, not to exceed two percent of campus enrollment in any given year and shall be reviewed/promulgated on a biennial basis.

D. Citizens from an eligible Pacific Island district, commonwealth, territory, or insular jurisdiction, state or nation which provides no public higher education institution granting baccalaureate degrees are charged 150 percent of the resident tuition rate. For eligible citizens from the group listed in the previous sentence that have a public higher education institution but do not offer a program that is desired by the student and is offered at the University of Hawai‘i, the 150 percent of the resident rate may be applied for participation in the specified approved program at the specified campus.

E. Students on national and international exchange programs where reciprocal tuition agreements have been signed by the president are charged 100 or 150
percent of the resident tuition rate as specified by the reciprocal tuition agreement.

F. Only exemptions of non-resident tuition delineated in this policy or in separate policies enacted by the Board are permitted.

IV. Delegation of Authority:

There is no policy specific delegation of authority.

V. Contact Information:

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VI. References:

• http://www.hawaii.edu/offices/bor/
• EP 6.207
• RP 6.209

Approved as to Form:

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